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The Honorable J. Dennis Hastert Speaker of the House of Representatives United States House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515

Dear Mr. Speaker:

On behalf of the Secretary of Defense, I have approved the retirement of Admiral Frank L. Bowman, United States Navy, and his advancement to the grade of admiral on the retired list. I certify that Admiral Bowman has served satisfactorily on active duty in his current grade. Admiral Bowman, who is 59 years of age, currently serves as the Director, Naval Nuclear Propulsion Program, Department of the Navy/Department of Energy. I have also notified the President of the United States and the President of the Senate of this action.

Sincerely,

David S. C. Chu

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cc:

The Honorable Duncan Hunter Chairman, House Armed Services Committee The Honorable Ike Skelton Ranking Member, House Armed Services Committee

